

## STATE OF CONNECTICUT

## DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY DIVISION OF STATE POLICE PUBLIC INFORMATION OFFICE



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## ARMED SUJECT IN HADDAM TAKEN INTO CUSTODY BY STATE POLICE

On Friday, September 10<sup>th</sup>, 2004 at approximately 11:05 A.M. Troop F in Westbrook, CT received a 911 emergency call from a female reporting a disturbance from #165 Turkey Hill Road in Haddam, CT. The caller was reporting that her husband was despondent, agitated, and armed with a firearm.

Troopers from Troop F, the Haddam Resident Trooper's Office, the State Police Major Crime Squad and off duty Trooper(s) responded to the scene and secured a perimeter around the residence. Troopers observed an armed subject at the residence involved in what appear to be a domestic dispute with a woman, later identified as the subject's wife.

Troopers at the scene were able to remove the woman from the scene.

The State Police supervisor at the scene was able to establish dialog with the armed subject and within a short time have him surrender himself. The subject was taken into custody without further incident.

The subject's mother was also found in the residence.

Several firearms along with ammunition were seized at the scene. The State Police Major Crime Squad responded to the scene to process the crime scene.

Initial investigation indicates that both the wife and the mother of the subject were victim's of domestic violence. Both have minor injuries as a result of this incident.

Arrested: Steven PROTO, age 24, date of birth September 10th, 1980

Charges: Reckless Endangerment

Assault

Disorderly Conduct

Court: September 13, 2004 at Superior Court G.A. 9, Middletown, CT

Bond: \$100,000

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